



**CITY OF SAN DIEGO
OFFICE OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM ANTHONY YOUNG**



WEEKLY UPDATE APRIL 24, 2006

Today I and my fellow Council members supported the Mayor's proposal to address the City's huge pension deficit by using guaranteed tobacco revenue funds to obtain \$100 million in bond funds in the next few weeks to use towards our pension deficit. When I assumed office the pension deficit was one of my top priorities and it was clear to me that it will take a multi-pronged approach to address it. This is a step in the right direction. However, it's pretty clear to me that it is a small step for a very long trek that we have to take. And I think that it's pretty important to point out that just refinancing our debt is not going to get us there. We will be looking at other financing mechanisms and strategies to finally resolve this issue, appropriately fund the pension system, and get this City on solid financial ground. I look forward to working with you, the Council and Mayor as we proceed in the coming months to bring forth proposals to address the pension deficit and accomplish our mutual goal of providing efficient and effective City services that improve the quality of life of all residents.

On Wednesday, April 26, 2006, the Council will hold an evening public hearing on the budget at the North Park Theatre, 2891 University Avenue, from 6-9:00 pm. Public hearings on the budget will also be held at the City Council on May 3rd from 9am to 6:00 pm; May 4th from 9:00 am-6:00pm, and on May 5th from 9:00 am to Noon. The City Council will conduct its budget deliberations on May 15th beginning at 2:00 p.m. All of the dates mentioned are great opportunities for you to come and address the Council on your views and suggestions regarding the City's 2007 budget. I look forward to seeing and hearing from you.

On Saturday, April 29, 2006 at 8:00-11:00 a.m, the Fair Housing Council of San Diego will be celebrating National Fair Housing Month "Tips for Tenants and Future Home Buyers". San Diego Urban League will be hosting its 17th Annual Career Fair. This is an opportunity for tenants and future home buyers to get information on your rights and expectations as a tenant and what resources are available to help you buy that first home. Please join me and the event sponsors for this valuable

and much needed event. I look forward to seeing you at the George Stevens Senior Center, 570 S. 65th Street on Saturday morning. I commend the Fair Housing Council of San Diego for bringing this event to our 4th District community.

On Sunday, April 30 2006 at 4:00 pm. the True Vine Missionary Baptist Church will be celebrating Pastor Eric Miller and Wife's 10th Anniversary. I commend and congratulate Pastor Miller and the True Vine Family for providing spiritual leadership and guidance in the community. Pastor Miller is also commended for his outstanding efforts in leading a committee of non-profit and faith based agencies that help Hurricane Katrina victims who have relocated to San Diego. True Vine Missionary Baptist Church is located at 6860 Madrone Avenue, San Diego. Please come and join this celebration. It will be uplifting to all.

On Monday, May 1, 2006 at 6:30 pm., I will be joining San Diego City Schools Superintendent Carl Cohn at a forum for parents in the community to talk about concerns they may have about their children's school. This important event at St. Stephen's Cathedral Church, 5825 Imperial Ave. is an opportunity for parents to talk to the Superintendent and get further involved with the education of their children and the children of our communities.

Again, my thanks go out to you for supporting me in my efforts to make this City and the 4th District a better place to live, work, and raise a family

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